

PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Robert A. Mercuri  
Serial No.: 09/871,887  
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For: Assembling Bipolar Plates  
Examiner: Gladys Josefina Piazza Corcoran  
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
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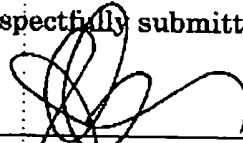
Dear Sir:

The Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for reply to the Office Action dated May 20, 2003, for three (3) additional month from August 20, 2003 to November 20, 2003. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the petition fee of \$950 to Deposit Account 50-1202.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the petition fee in the amount of \$950 to deposit account no. 50-1202. This request is submitted in duplicate.

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Respectfully submitted,



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